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MEMORANDUM :

SUBJECT : Possible Soviet Anti-Ballistic Missile

We have photographs and a sketch of the possible anti-missile missile seen in recent rehearsals for Moscow's 7 November parade.

The canvas-covered missile is appearing in company with known surface-to-air missiles in the parade rehearsals. It appears to be too large to be launched from any known anti-aircraft SAM launching facilities.

The missile appears to have two stages, each with fins, suggesting that it has long-range, high-altitude, controlled intercept capabilities suitable for an anti-ballistic missile (ABM) mission.

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